

Amendments to the Specification

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RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of USSN 09/979,594, filed March 8, 2002 which is a national phase entry of PCT/AU00/004411, filed May 15, 2000, both of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.

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ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to methods of predicting the risk of developing cancer and in particular to a method for diagnosing, and/or predicting the risk of developing gastric cancer in a subject infected with *Helicobacter*.